

2009 Montana U.S. Senate Youth Honors Scholarship Winners

The Office of Public Instruction is proud to announce that Samuel J. Hodges of Sweet Grass County High School and Katherine S. Neher of Loyola Sacred-Heart High School will represent Montana as delegates for the 2009 U.S. Senate Youth Scholarship Program. Clive H. Ogle of White Sulphur Springs High School and Kevin W. Bingaman of Darby High School were selected as alternates.

During the week of March 7-14, 2009, Sam and Katie will be immersed in an intensive on-site study of federal government. Visits to the Senate, House of Representatives, Supreme Court and the Pentagon will be interspersed with hours at various Smithsonian museums. They will hear major policy addresses by senators, cabinet members, officials of the Departments of State and others.

Each year two outstanding high school juniors or seniors from each state are selected to receive an all-expense-paid week in Washington, D.C. and a \$5,000 college scholarship, funded by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation. This year 269 Montana high school students representing 55 high schools competed for the award.

We join their families, friends and teachers in congratulating all four of these outstanding high school students on this achievement!



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